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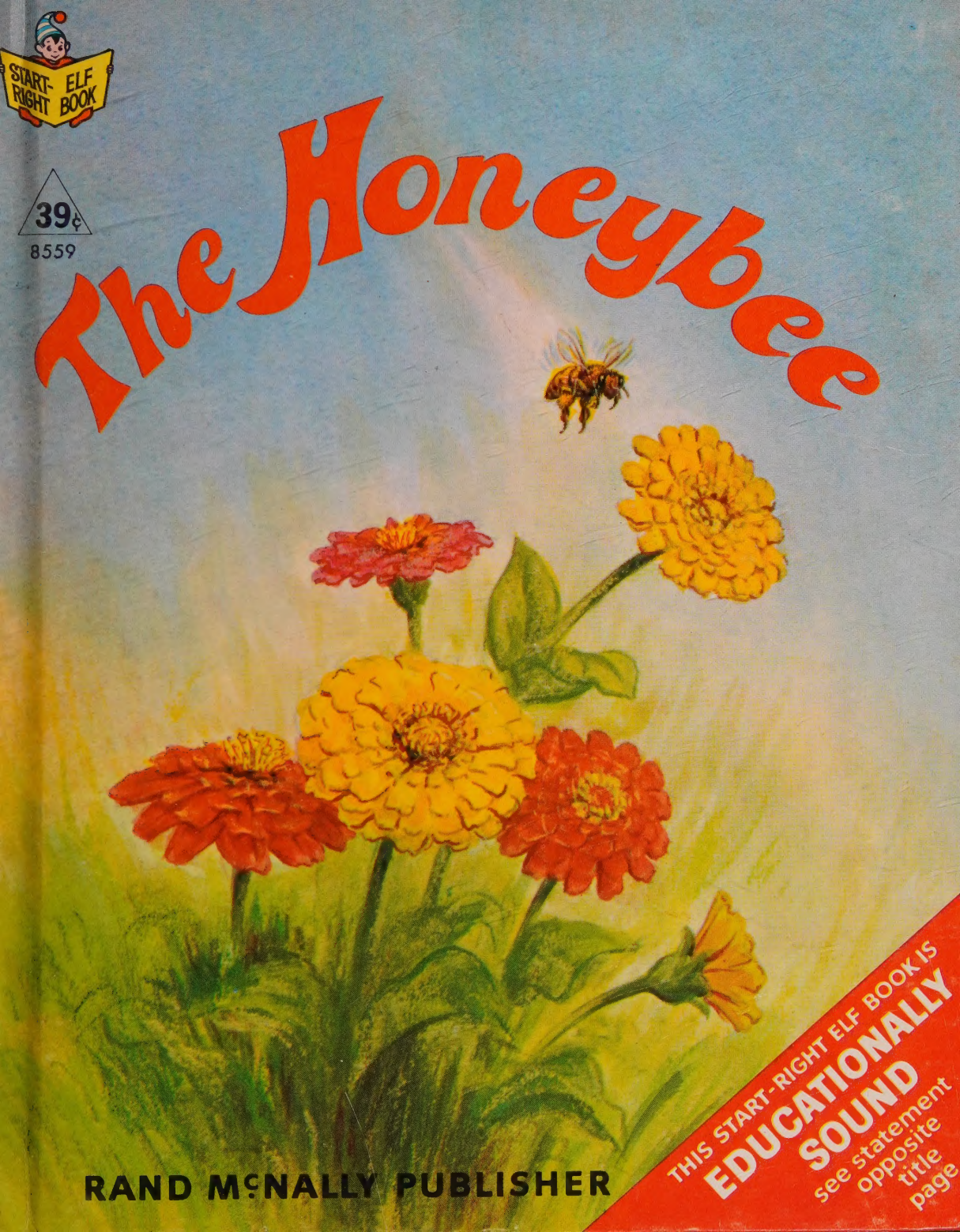

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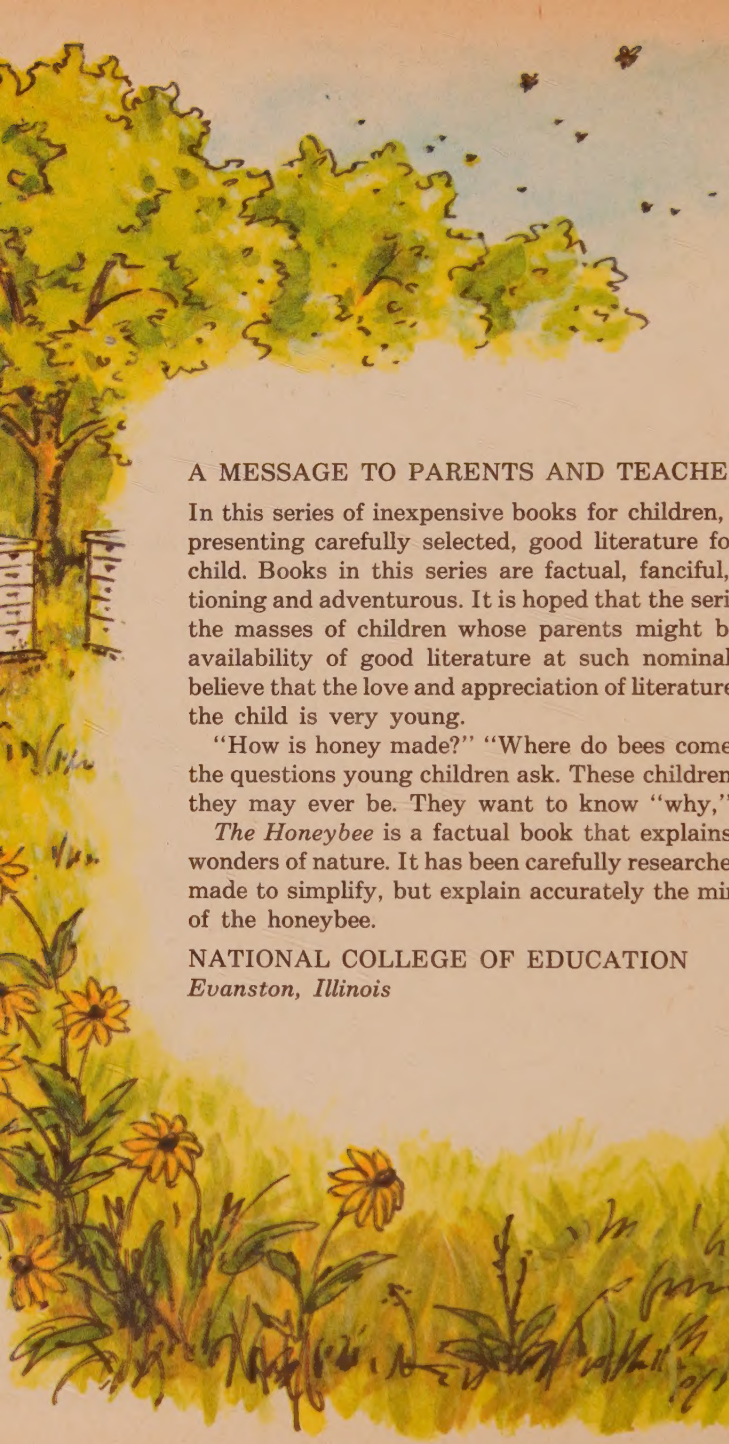

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The Honeybee is a factual book that explains one of the many wonders of nature. It has been carefully researched. Effort has been made to simplify, but explain accurately the miraculous workings of the honeybee.

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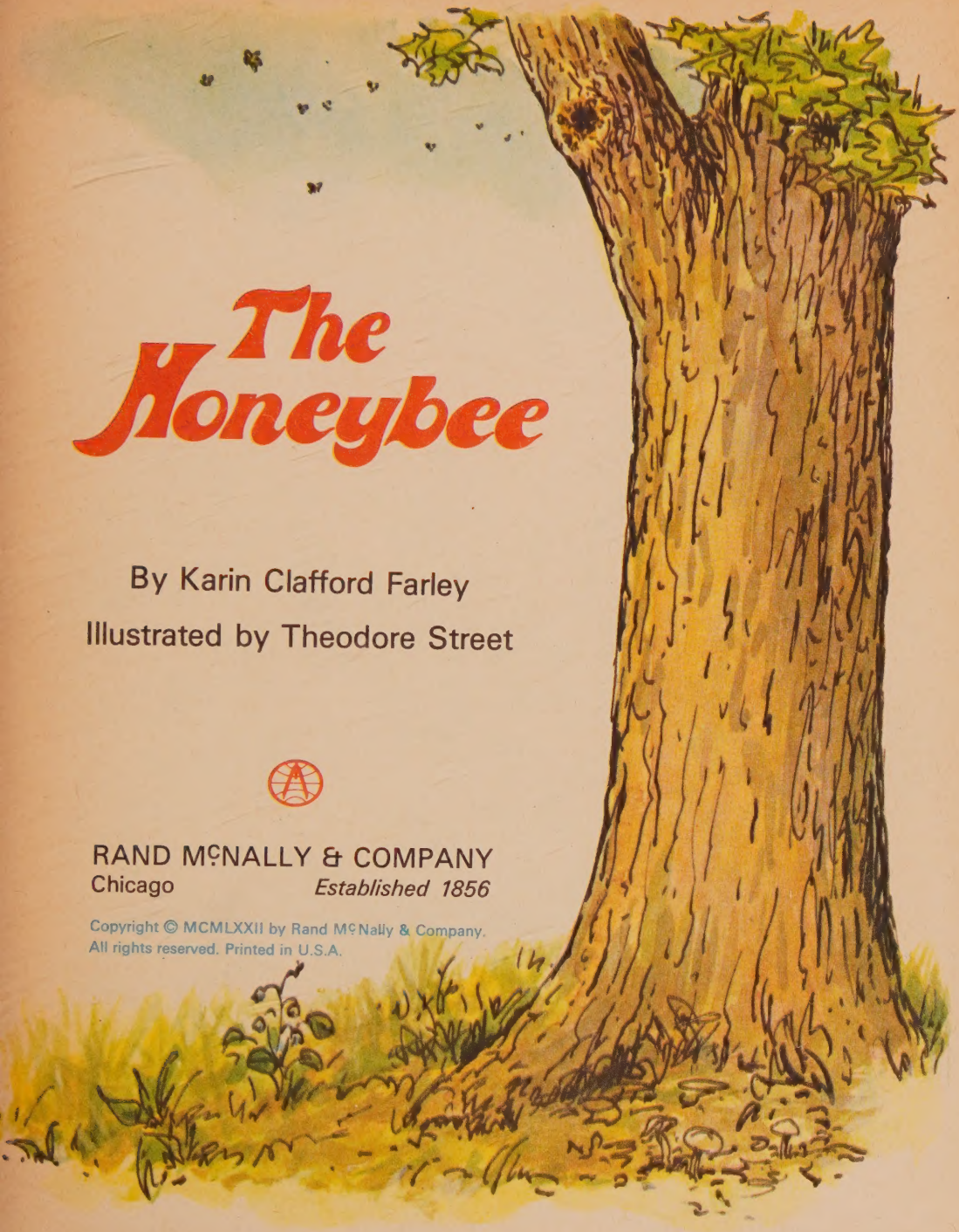

The Honeybee

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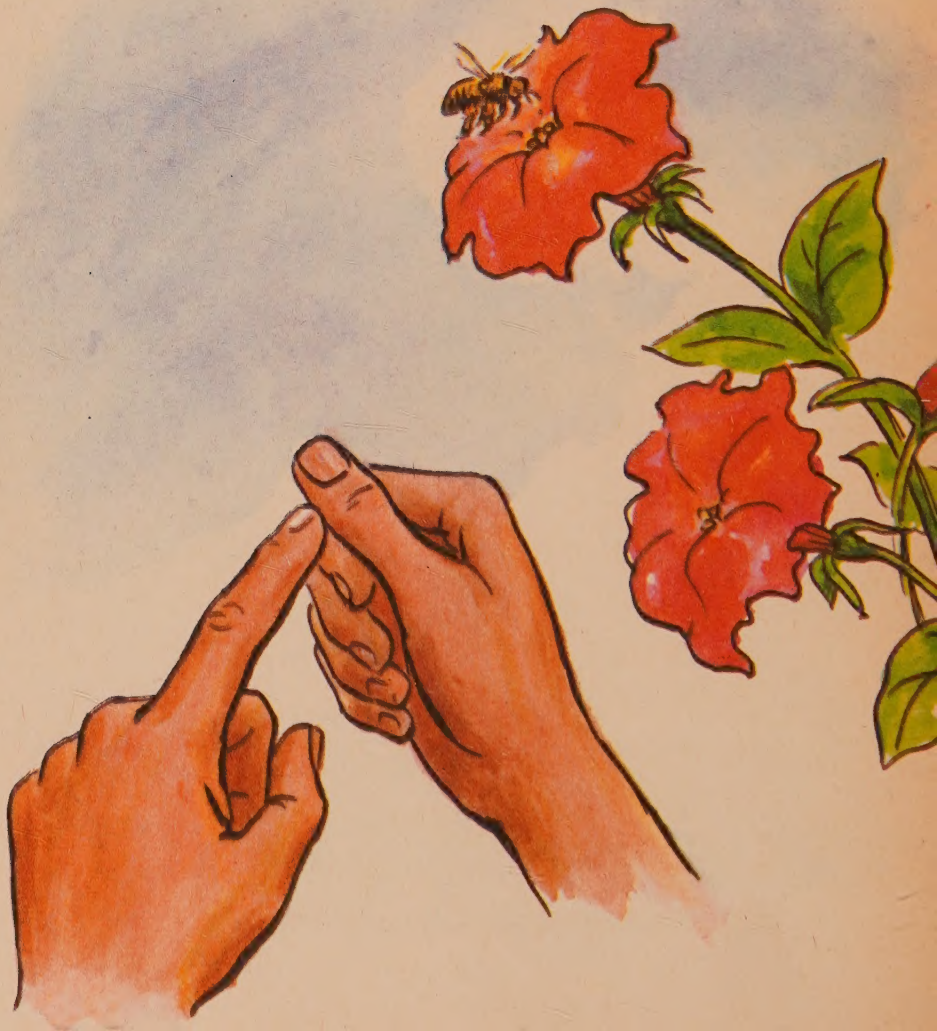
DO YOU EVER wonder where the honey comes from to spread on your bread? Honey does not grow in a field like the strawberries in your jam.

Honey is made by an insect no bigger
than the top of a thumb—
the Honeybee.

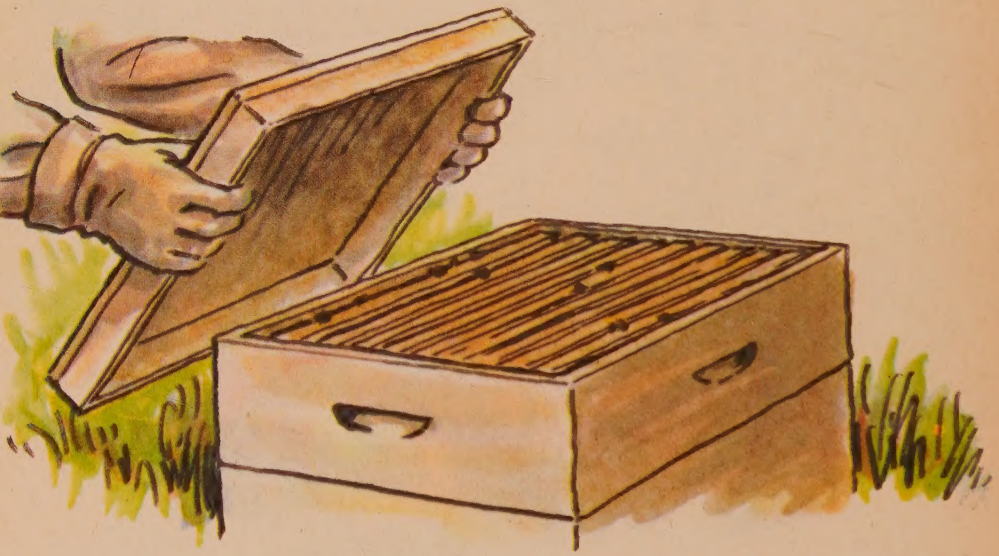


A Honeybee is brown and furry.
It has five eyes—
three small eyes and two big eyes.
Two antennas stick out of its head.
It has four wings and six legs.
AND the Honeybee's wings go,
Buzzzzzzzzzzzzz.

A Honeybee can fly forward, backward, sideways, or hover in midair.

The Honeybee's house is called a hive.

Sometimes the hive is in a hollow tree.



Sometimes the hive is in a box.

And sometimes the hive is in
an old deserted building.

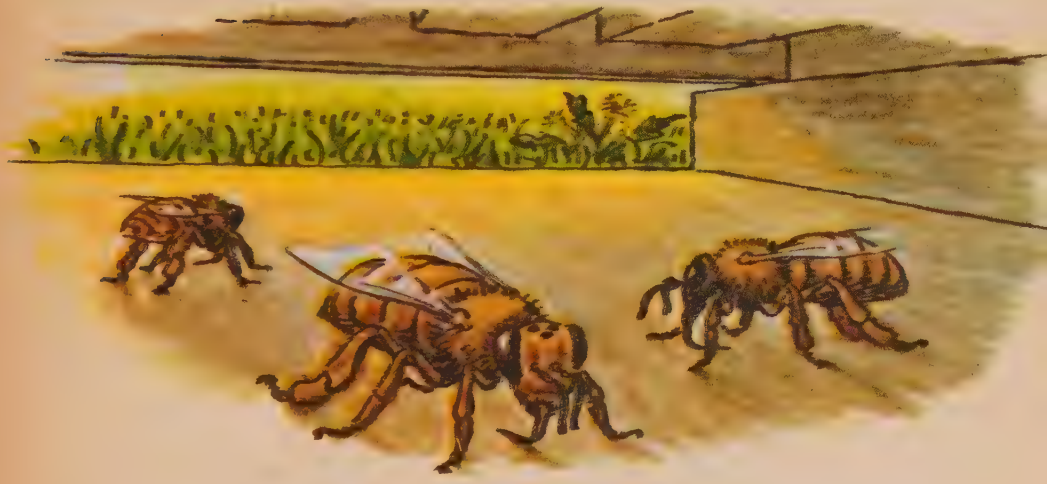
Inside the hive lives the mother bee
who is called the queen—

The father bees who are called the drones—

And thousands and thousands
of worker bees.

The worker bees do many things
in and out of the hive.
Some workers feed honey to the mother
queen and the father drones.

Others are nurses and take care
of the baby bees.



There are worker bees who clean the hive.

Many bees guard the entrance to the hive
against bears and skunks
who love to eat honey.

Worker bees cool the hive in the summer
by fanning their wings.
Some bees build the hive
bigger and bigger.

But most worker bees leave the hive
and fly to the gardens and fields.

The worker bee lands on a flower
and sucks out a sweet juice
called nectar.

It puts the nectar into its honey bag.
When the honey bag is full,
the worker bee flies straight
to the hive in a beeline.

Inside the hive, it gives the honey
to another bee who puts it
in a little hole.
Have you ever seen a block full of holes
in your honey jar?
It is called a honeycomb.

The honeycomb is made
by the bees out of wax.
The wax forms on their bodies
in tiny flakes.
They scrape it off and build
each wax hole with six sides.

When all the holes in the combs
are full of honey, a man called
a beekeeper takes some of the
honeycombs out of the hive.
But he always leaves plenty of honey
for the bees to eat.

The beekeeper sends the honeycombs
to a factory.
The honey is taken out of the combs
and put into jars.
The factory sends the jars of honey
to the grocery store.
Mother buys the honey for you
to put on your bread.
Next time you see a flower, you may see
a bee making some honey for you.
That's why it is called a Honeybee.

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